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OFFICE OF CURRENT INTELLIGENCE

FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT

Office of the Director

The Director of the Office of Current Intelligence is charged with fulfilling the DCI's statutory responsibilities for producing current intelligence and certain basic intelligence under NSCID No. 3.

The Office of Current Intelligence maintains a continuous analysis of raw information items from all available sources. After evaluation, this Office produces current intelligence reports and prepares oral briefings for the use of policymakers and operational officials in the Government. Its recipients include the President, the members of the National Security Council, the White House Staff, other officials in the Executive Branch of the Government, and the departments and agencies of USIB. This office is also responsible for maintaining a continuous watch to identify and disseminate indications of hostile intentions of foreign powers, and to alert the Director and the USIB to intelligence of critical significance. In meeting this responsibility, the Office supports the USIB Watch Committee and the National Indications Center.

The Office of Current Intelligence also conducts a systematic research program designed to support the current reporting and briefing function and to provide extensive political analyses of developments in particular countries and in international relations. As part of the research mission, the Office produces world-wide political and sociological intelligence for the National Intelligence Survey. The Office maintains evaluative all-source familiarity with pertinent developments in each country; maintains close working relations with other Agency components and US Government agencies; and formulates and maintains intelligence collection requirements in fields of political and sociological intelligence.

The Office of Current Intelligence also is charged with a planning function oriented toward incorporation of current technology in the current intelligence process, with particular attention to the possibility of computer applications. The function also embraces OCI's activities in fulfillment of the President's charge on Federal agencies to develop multi-year program budgets.

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The CIA Operations Center, a DDI Staff element under the administrative supervision of the Director, OCI, is charged with providing a single Agency 24-hour intelligence alert facility. It is responsible for: alerting the White House, DCI, DDCI, DDI, DDP, and other senior Agency officials to situations and developments requiring their immediate attention; being alert to developments requiring priority intelligence collection; maintaining close and effective liaison with corresponding centers in Headquarters or elsewhere; maintaining a Situation Room for the display of US and friendly military operations and critical situations; ensuring the rapid movement of all information received in the Center and evaluation thereof, to, among, and from intelligence officers; producing intelligence during off-duty hours, with the assistance of appropriate substantive elements; facilitating the work of ad hoc intelligence task teams organized to cope with special problems; operating and controlling the CIA terminal of the Washington area High speed facsimile (LDX) network; providing space, facilities, and support to the Clandestine Services Duty Officer; and providing day-to-day support to DDI field representatives abroad. The Center also provides personnel for staffing the White House Situation Room and for CIA representation at the National Military Command Center.

Management Staff

The Management Staff provides support in matters concerning general administration, the introduction of new technology into the current intelligence production process, and certain substantive functions which require the services of senior and thoroughly experienced intelligence officers. The Staff is responsible for operating OCI's career development program; for handling internal administrative matters including personnel, budget, travel, training, logistics, and records management; and for planning and developing new technological methods for intelligence production. In addition to providing these services to OCI, the Staff also renders administrative support to other components of the Special Center.

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The Production Staff reviews all items submitted for inclusion in the Office of Current Intelligence publications and special current intelligence issuances for adherence to prescribed editorial standards; it also guides and assists the Office production components. The Staff prepares all-source current intelligence briefings requiring participation by the Office of Current Intelligence, many of which are for presentation by the DCI to Congressional committees, the National Security Council and other high level forums, and monitors the contacts and activities in OCI of [REDACTED] Liaison Officers and controls the release to them of information from current intelligence publications. In addition the Staff maintains files of OCI ad hoc finished intelligence products and dissemination records of those products.

The Staff provides the Office of Current Intelligence with central document control and related support activities required for the production and dissemination of all-source intelligence in support of the CIA current intelligence mission; conducts and controls certain dissemination and distribution activities for the Agency; operates a special courier system for sensitive materials; supervises the reproduction of the Office of Current intelligence publications, and other CIA publications based on COMINT, and other highly classified sources; coordinates with the Office of Basic Intelligence the production of graphic materials in OCI publications; and supervises the Magnetic Tape Typewriter and Composer program in OCI and the DDI components.

The Staff is charged with certain functions of substantive intelligence support that cut across the intelligence-coverage responsibilities by geographic area assigned to OCI's "line" units. These include: alerting of the DCI and his principal assistants to important overt news as it comes over the AP, UPI, Reuters, and FBIS wire services, with assessments to inform the DCI of relevant information from classified sources and of further action that is being taken with respect to any news item; and coordination of Agency support of the strategic warning responsibilities of the National Indications Center and preparation of analytic commentary bearing on the weekly agenda of the USIB Watch Committee.

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The mission of the Research Staff is to provide a systematic approach to OCI's research function which will support the current reporting and briefing mission and provide extensive analyses of developments in particular countries and in international relations. The Research Staff is charged with stimulating political and sociological research throughout the Office, establishing a formal research program, coordinating the overall research effort with the National Intelligence Survey program, developing joint projects with other DDI components, and establishing contacts with other elements in CIA and other government departments and with academic and research centers. The Research Staff also ensures that the Office meets its NIS commitments and monitors the progress of the OCI historical project.

Special Projects Staff

The Special Projects Staff is a small group of highly skilled general intelligence officers whose primary task is the preparation of the President's Daily Brief. The Brief is a limited distribution, all-source publication tailored specifically to the President's requirement for a daily publication from the Director of Central Intelligence that analyzes, in succinct and meaningful fashion, world-wide intelligence on matters that affect the national security. To prepare such analysis, the Staff screens large volumes of material from all pertinent government agencies on virtually a 24 hour basis. The Staff is directly responsible to the Director of Current Intelligence.

The Special Projects Staff is also the channel to the Director of Current Intelligence for certain highly sensitive documents originating both within and outside the Agency. On occasion it provides briefing support in the field during Presidential trips.

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The National Indications Center is the joint operational and administrative staff of the USIB Watch Committee. The Center collates, analyzes and evaluates intelligence materials received from the USIB member agencies and other sources in order to give full time substantive and administrative support to the USIB Watch Committee in carrying out its mission as set forth in DCID No. 1/5 (New Series) dated 23 April 1965.

European Division

The European Division produces all-source current intelligence on the countries of Western Europe, Eastern Europe, the USSR, Mongolia, and Canada. This Division's purview also includes regional organizations such as the Common Market and international organizations such as the United Nations and its specialized agencies. In addition, the Division is responsible for reporting on the international organizations of communism as instruments of Soviet policy and, together with the Far East Division, for Sino-Soviet developments. The Division also provides briefings and other current intelligence support for other CIA components; it provides CIA support for the National Indications Center, USIB, the NSC Review Group, and the regional NSC Interdepartmental Groups; it conducts research and produces political and sociological intelligence on all countries of Europe for the National Intelligence Survey.

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The Far East Division plans, produces, and coordinates all-source current intelligence on China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, and the rest of Southeast Asia. Its production includes finished intelligence on a broad range of subjects relating to US national security. These items appear in publications regularly issued by CIA, the Directorate of Intelligence, and the Office of Current Intelligence as well as in special reports, memoranda, and briefings prepared for the DCI, the DDI, and Executive Branch officials outside CIA. The Far East Division produces specified chapters for the National Intelligence Survey and a daily situation report on Vietnam. The Division provides DDI support for the NSC Interdepartmental Group--East Asia and ad hoc groups, and OCI support to the DDI for the NSC review group, the National Indications Center, and the USIB.

Middle East Africa Division

The Middle East Africa Division plans, coordinates, and produces all-source current intelligence concerning countries and territories in the geographical area of its assignment. Its production includes finished intelligence items and handbooks as well as contributions in support of the NIC, the NSC Review Group, the regional NSC Interdepartmental Groups, and other inter-agency operations. It also provides through the D/OCI, and the DD/I, current intelligence support for the DCI, DDIC, and USIB on developments in its area. The Division produces and maintains specified sections for the National Intelligence Survey. This material forms an important part of US comprehension, basic intelligence on political and sociological conditions in these countries as well as subversion.

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Western Hemisphere Division

The Western Hemisphere Division plans, coordinates and produces all-source intelligence, both for current intelligence reports and for basic intelligence studies such as the NIS and country handbooks, on all the countries of the Western Hemisphere (with the exception of Canada) and the possessions of Britain, France, and the Netherlands in this hemisphere. The Western Hemisphere Division's purview of responsibility also includes regional arrangements such as the Organization of American States, the Latin America Free Trade Area, and the Central American Common Market. In addition to writing for the standard daily and weekly current intelligence publications, the Western Hemisphere Division prepares ad hoc briefings and written intelligence memoranda, meets special publication schedules on continuing crisis situations, contributes to inter-agency studies on subjects of special policy concern, assists in the actual writing of and in the coordination within the DDI of the intelligence portions of major policy papers produced by the NSC/Interdepartmental Group/ARA, participates as one of the Agency's two representatives to the NSC/IG/ARA, and chairs an inter-agency Committee on Intelligence in the Western Hemisphere and on Cuba.

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DIVISIONS			
EUROPEAN	PACIFIC	MIDDLE EAST AFRICA	WESTERN HEMISPHERE
BRANCHES			
Regional	Vietnam Task Force	North and East Africa	Northern
North Europe	Northern	West Africa	South America East
South Europe-U.K.	Southern	South Africa	South America West
East Europe	Southeast Asia	Greece Turkey Iran	Caribbean
Soviet External	North Asia	Arab States-Israel	
Soviet Internal	China External	South Asia	
	China Internal		